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In re Application of

Faur et al.

Application No. 10/521912

Filing or 371(c) Date: 01/20/2005

Attorney Docket Number:

US21.1045

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed May 16, 2007, to revive the above-identified application. The delay in treating this petition is regretted.

This Petition is hereby dismissed.

Any further petition to revive the above-identified application must be submitted within TWO (2) MONTHS from the mail date of this decision. Extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) are permitted. The reconsideration request should include a cover letter entitled "Request for Reconsideration of Petition under [insert the applicable code section]". This is **not** final agency action within the meaning of 5 U.S.C. § 704.

## **Background**

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely and properly reply to the final Office action, mailed September 1, 2006. The Office action set a three (3) month period for reply from the mail date of the Office action. Extensions of time were available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). No reply having been received, the application became abandoned on December 2, 2006. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed March 16, 2007.

## The present petition

Applicant files the instant petition and Amendment.

The Examiner has reviewed the Amendment and concluded that the Amendment fails to place the application in condition for allowance.

## Applicable Law, Rules and MPEP

A grantable petition pursuant to this paragraph must be accompanied by:

- (1) The reply required to the outstanding Office action or notice, unless previously filed;
- (2) The petition fee as set forth in § 1.17(m);
- (3) A statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to this paragraph was unintentional. The Director may require additional information where there is a question whether the delay was unintentional; and (4) Any terminal disclaimer (and fee as set forth in § 1.20(d)) required pursuant to paragraph (d) of this section.

The required reply may be met by the filing of a continuing application. In a nonprovisional utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995, and abandoned for failure to prosecute, the required reply may also be met by the filing of a request for continued examination in compliance with § 1.114. In an application or patent, abandoned or lapsed for failure to pay the issue fee or any portion thereof, the required reply must include payment of the issue fee or any outstanding balance. In an application, abandoned for failure to pay the publication fee, the required reply must include payment of the publication fee.

As to item (1), Applicant has failed to submit the required reply to the Office action.

Further correspondence with respect to this matter should be addressed as follows:

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Inquiries regarding the Amendment should be directed to the Examiner. Telephone inquiries concerning this petition Decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3232.

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